

CHAPTER-06

ON QUITTING

Poem:

Any movies about the Holocaust because it includes Jews having to quit their jobs and everything they loved since they were excluded and would be punished if they did them which relates to the poem because it talks about having the courage to obey the command of quitting.

Summary

In the short poem "On Quitting" by Edgar Albert Guest the theme is about how being able to quit something you really love or are passionate about can be really tough. The speaker says how much courage and strength of character it takes to do that. The speaker is someone that has been through a situation where they were commanded or had to quit something that made him or her happy. The poem also challenges the reader by saying that you do not know what courage, grit, really is until you have been through a similar situation where you had to quit something you loved. That is said at the last stanza of the poem which helps summarize the theme. In my opinion this poem was written to challenge and make readers think about what courage really is and how hard it can be. The audience of this poem can be anyone who can relate to it and has been through that or anyone in general.

In Conclusion

quitting something you love is tough and requires courage

Also courage is not all about being able to fight or win

Another example of who this poem can relate to is athletes that had to quit doing the sport they loved doing due to a severe injury, sickness, or accident. I think that's a super hard thing to do and requires strength of

character to be okay with having to quit and not do a sport that you're passionate about.

Repetition: "How much grit do you think you've got?"= To emphasize the theme of the poem and make the reader wonder if he or she truly has strength of character or courage.

Rhyme: Couplet poem/ AA,BB pattern

Imagery: "It's a bully sport and it's open fight"

That line makes the reader picture a tough game with no rules but it can also be figurative language because it means that making your body obey your mind is as tough as a fight

Tone: from interrogative and bitter to reflective

Purpose: Challenge readers and make them rethink about the definition of courage

"For the toughest kind of game you'll find is to make your body obey your mind."

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